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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation
IB Docket No. 01-185/ET Docket No. 95-18

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 28, 2002 the undersigned counsel for TMI Communications and Company Limited Partnership (TMI) and Wharton B. Rivers, Jr., CEO of TerreStar Networks, Inc. (TerreStar), met with Robert Pepper and Evan Kwerel of the Office of Plans and Policy (OPP) to review the status of the above referenced dockets. The undersigned also restated TMI's support for grant of Ancillary Terrestrial Communication authority to Mobile Satellite Service (MSS) providers in the 2 GHz and L bands.

This notice is being filed on the following day because the meeting with the OPP's staff occurred late in the day.

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Gregory C. Staple /s/

cc: Robert Pepper
Evan Kwerel